



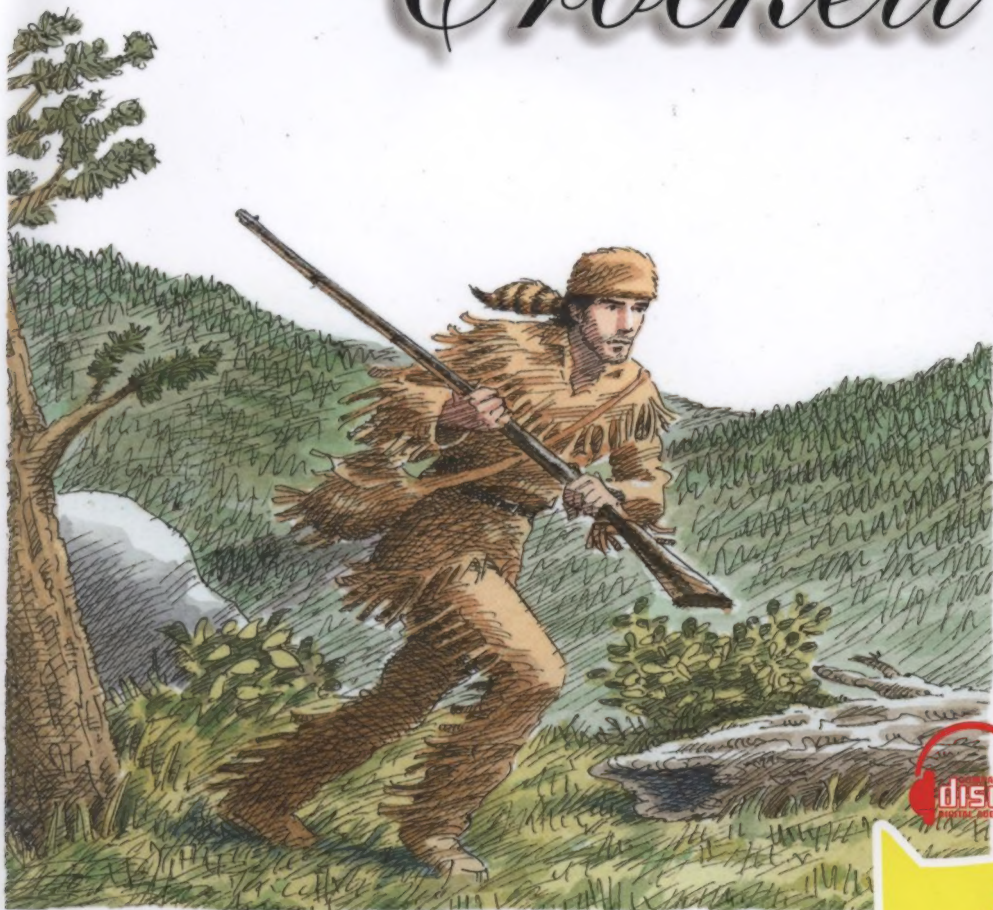
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美国英雄

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BEFORE READING

1 Do you know these words?



coonskin cap
浣熊皮帽



wild cat
野猫



rifle
步枪



buckskin
trousers
鹿皮裤



buckskin jacket
鹿皮衣



racoon
浣熊



cattle
牛



bear
熊

2 Which words do you think of when you read the name Davy Crockett? Circle them.

building forest animals books
pictures rifle mystery
Indians ship
battle fort money
Mexico soldier castle courageous
houses Texas England
America church
king strong artist

3 Do you know any other American stories? Which ones?

4 Do you like Western films?

5 What is your favourite Western film?

What do you know about the United States of America?

a. How many states are there?

☐ 48.

☐ 52.

☐ 50.

b. Name two famous Americans:

☐ Abraham Lincoln.

☐ Christopher Columbus.

☐ Michael Jackson.

c. Which is a typical American food?

☐ Pasta.

☐ Hamburgers.

☐ Pizza.

d. Name two big American cities:

☐ Los Angeles, San Francisco.

☐ New York, London.

☐ Dallas, Montreal.

e. Name a big American river:

☐ Po.

☐ Mississippi.

☐ Thames.

f. Name a favourite American sport.

☐ Rugby.

☐ Cricket.

☐ Basketball.



Young Davy

Davy Crockett was born on August 17, 1787, in Greene County, Tennessee. In 1787 America was a new nation. Most of the territory was a wilderness¹.

Davy Crockett was born in the wilderness. His father, John Crockett, was an Irish immigrant². He fought in the American Revolution. He was a very courageous³ man.

Davy had a difficult childhood⁴. His family was poor. When he was twelve years old, his father said, "Davy, our family doesn't have any money. You must go to work as a cattle herder⁵."

"All right, father," said Davy. "I'm happy to help the family!"

Davy travelled four hundred miles on foot. He took cattle from Tennessee to other places. When he finished his work, he was far from home. He was lost⁶! Davy walked 400 miles. When he

1. wilderness : 荒野。

2. immigrant : 移民。

3. courageous : 勇敢的。

4. childhood : 童年。

5. cattle herder : 牛仔。

6. lost : 迷路的。



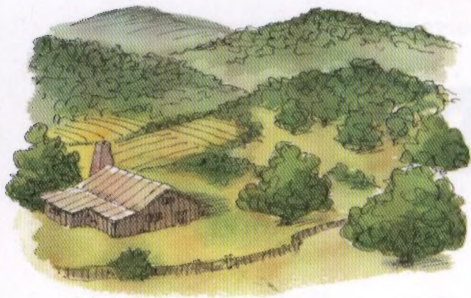
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returned home, he was very tired.

Davy gave his father the money he made. His father was happy and said, "Thank you, Davy! Now we have some money for the winter months."



"I can do it again to help the family," Davy answered.

The years passed. Davy went to school when he had time. He spent most of his time hunting in the forest. He was the best shooter¹ and hunter² in Tennessee. He entered many shooting competitions³ and won them all. He called his rifle "Old Betsy."

For years Davy hunted bears and other wild animals. He was a trapper⁴. Once he hunted one hundred bears in six months!

It was dangerous⁵ to hunt bears but Davy was very courageous and strong. He knew the forest well. The Indians were his good friends. He ran fast and was a strong fighter. He fought with the wild cats of the mountains.

Some people said that one day Davy saw a racoon in a tree. He wanted to shoot it but the racoon saw him and said, "Wait a minute! Are you Davy Crockett?"

Davy answered, "Yes, I am!"

The racoon answered, "Then don't shoot! I'll come down from the tree." And the racoon came down from the tree!

1. shooter : 射手。

2. hunter : 猎人。

3. competitions : 竞赛。

4. trapper : 设陷阱捕兽的人。

5. dangerous : 危险的。



UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Choose the correct answer.

a. Davy Crockett was

- ☐ born in Greene County, Tennessee.
- ☐ an Irish immigrant.
- ☐ fought in the American Revolution.

b. When Davy was 12 years old

- ☐ he went to work as a hunter.
- ☐ he went to work as a cattle herder.
- ☐ he was an excellent shooter.

c. He went to work because

- ☐ he did not go to school.
- ☐ he wanted to travel far from his home.
- ☐ his family was poor.

d. He was the best shooter and hunter

- ☐ in America.
- ☐ in Tennessee.
- ☐ in Greene County.

e. Davy was a trapper. He hunted

- ☐ animals for their fur.
- ☐ animals for food.
- ☐ cattle.

f. It was dangerous to

- ☐ work as a cattle herder.
- ☐ hunt bears.
- ☐ live in Tennessee.

2 Odd one out!

Find the odd word out in each line.

- a. shooter hunter mountains trapper fighter
- b. happy cattle exhausted courageous strong
- c. racoon bear wild cat cattle family
- d. winter rifle summer spring autumn

Now use the odd words to complete these sentences.

- 1. Davy Crockett took from Tennessee to other places.
- 2. Wild cats live in the
- 3. Davy's was poor.
- 4. "Old Betsy" was Davy's

3 In, on or at?

You are a Journalist from the "Tennessee Gazette". You want to interview Davy. Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition of time (表示时间的介词) : in, on or at.

Journalist: When were you born, Davy?

Davy: I was born August 17, 1787.

Journalist: When did you begin working as a cattle herder?

Davy: I began working April 1799.

Journalist: What do you do now?

Davy: I work as a hunter and trapper.

Journalist: Tell me about your day.

Davy: I get up 5 a.m. every morning.
Sundays I get up 7 a.m. midday I
have lunch, and 6 p.m. I have dinner. I go to
bed 9.30 p.m. I hunt wild animals
the spring, summer and autumn. the winter,
I sell the furs. Tuesdays I visit my friends.

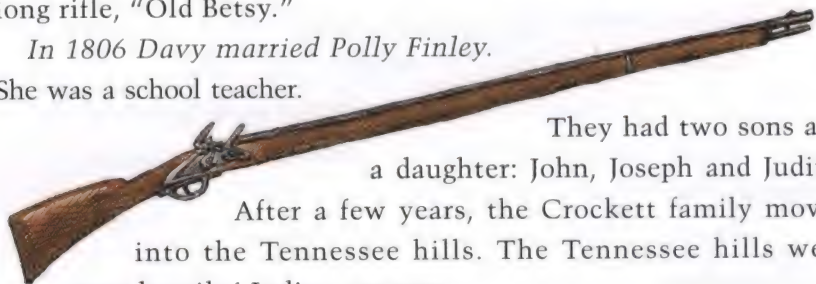


The Creek Wars

Everyone liked Davy Crockett. He was always happy, with a big smile. He was *honest* and always *helped* others.

Davy was a tall man. He wore a coonskin cap, buckskin trousers and a buckskin jacket. He always carried his long rifle, "Old Betsy."

In 1806 Davy married Polly Finley. She was a school teacher.



They had two sons and a daughter: John, Joseph and Judith.

After a few years, the Crockett family moved into the Tennessee hills. The Tennessee hills were near hostile¹ Indian country.

In 1812 the war between the United States and Britain began. The Mohawk and Creek Indians fought with the British against

1. **hostile** : 含敌意的。



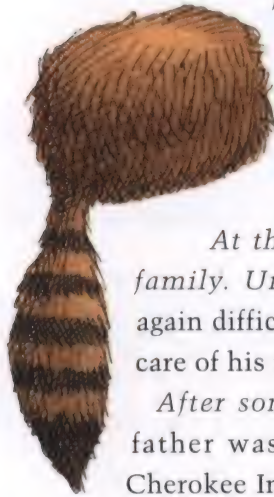
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the Americans. *The American General Andrew Jackson organized a small army. He wanted to fight the Creek Indians and the British.*



Davy fought with this army. *He was a scout¹ because he knew the territory² well.* His work as a scout was very important. Davy travelled across Tennessee, the Mississippi Territory, Florida and Louisiana with General Jackson's army. *The Battle of New Orleans was a big victory for General Jackson and the Americans.* The war ended in 1814.



The British lost the war. The Indians lost their territories and went away. New American families settled³ in the Tennessee hills.

At the end of the war Davy returned home to his family. Unfortunately, his wife Polly died. Life was again difficult for Davy. He worked as a trapper and took care of his three children.

After some time, Davy met Meg Mackinack. Meg's father was an American trapper. Her mother was a Cherokee Indian. Davy fell in love and married her. They had twins⁴. Davy named the twins George and Washington, in honour of⁵ America's first president⁶. There were now five children in the Crockett family!

1. scout : 侦察者。

2. territory : 领土。

3. settled : 定居。

4. twins : 孪生儿。

5. in honour of : 纪念。

6. president : 总统。

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false ones.

- | | T | F |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Davy was honest and always helped others. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Davy's wife, Judith, was a school teacher. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Davy and Polly had three children. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. The war between the United States and Britain began in 1806. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Davy fought with General Andrew Jackson's army. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. The Americans lost the War of 1812. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. After Polly died, Davy married Meg Mackinack. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2 Find and circle the names of the four places where Davy travelled to during the War of 1812.

M	F	P	X	C	I	O	H	Y	D	U	R	J	F
T	O	U	S	F	L	O	R	I	D	A	Q	L	G
B	E	G	A	P	K	G	X	T	U	K	B	O	T
F	C	N	L	R	O	E	A	M	K	Q	Y	U	D
J	T	K	N	P	H	Q	S	B	N	S	K	I	C
E	G	T	N	E	S	S	G	D	R	Y	B	S	G
A	V	M	I	S	S	I	S	S	I	P	P	I	H
X	F	R	E	A	P	S	Z	E	O	M	O	A	D
O	H	A	U	W	L	B	E	Y	E	D	B	N	K
Y	W	S	Q	O	C	T	O	E	C	J	W	A	Z

Now circle the four places on this map.



The War of 1812:

Major Southern Campaigns



American forces



British forces



Battle site

3 Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition from the rifle.

after between near with for against across

- The hills were hostile Indian country.
- In 1812 the war the United States and Britain began.
- The Indians fought the British, the Americans.
- Davy travelled Tennessee, Florida and Louisiana.
- Life was again difficult Davy.
- a few years, the Crockett family went to the Tennessee hills.

**4**

Listen to the first four paragraphs of Chapter 2 and put the pictures in the order that they are mentioned. Write 1, 2, 3, etc. in the correct box.

a. ☐



b. ☐



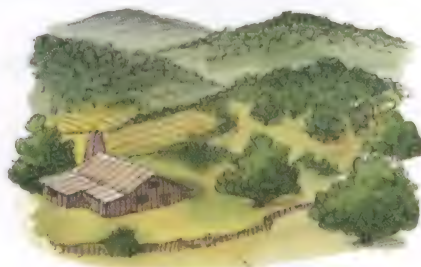
c. ☐



e. ☐



d. ☐



f. ☐



Hunters and Trappers

Life in the American wilderness was exciting but it was not easy. There were wild animals, hostile Indians, no roads and no good maps.



Only strong, courageous men and women lived in the wilderness. These people were very independent. They were free spirits¹. Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie (who you will read about later in the story) were hunters and trappers. They hunted wild animals for food and for their furs. Davy hunted bears and wild cats. Both were very dangerous animals.

Hunters and trappers had a difficult life. They lived alone in the high mountains for many months. Often it snowed and it was very cold. They did not have a home. They lived in a cave or in a small hut². They hunted many animals: bears, wild cats, alligators, buffalo³, beavers and others. Then they sold the furs at a trading post⁴. Trappers made good money by selling furs. Indians often worked as trappers too.



1. free spirits : 热爱自由的人。

2. hut : 小木屋。

3. buffalo : 水牛。

4. trading post : 贸易站。

Animals that Trappers Hunted



Bobcat
红猫



Beaver
海狸



Raccoon
浣熊



Alligator
短吻鳄



Grizzly Bear
灰熊

- 1 Complete the description of a trapper who lives in the American wilderness. Use the words in the hut.

free spirit
difficult wilderness
courageous money hut
independent mountains
trading post
cave animals furs

An American trapper lived in the His life was He was and He was a In the he lived in a or a small The trapper hunted many He sold the at a He made good by selling furs.





Davy Enters Politics

Davy and his big family wanted to live in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. Davy bought a covered wagon ¹. He and his family put all of their things inside the wagon: chairs, tables, beds, clothing and many other things. Four strong horses pulled the big wagon. Davy and his wife sat in the front. The five children were inside the wagon.

After travelling in the forests and mountains, they arrived in Lawrenceburg. This was their new home. Davy opened a mill ². He was a hard worker. His neighbours liked him. Everybody in Lawrenceburg liked him.

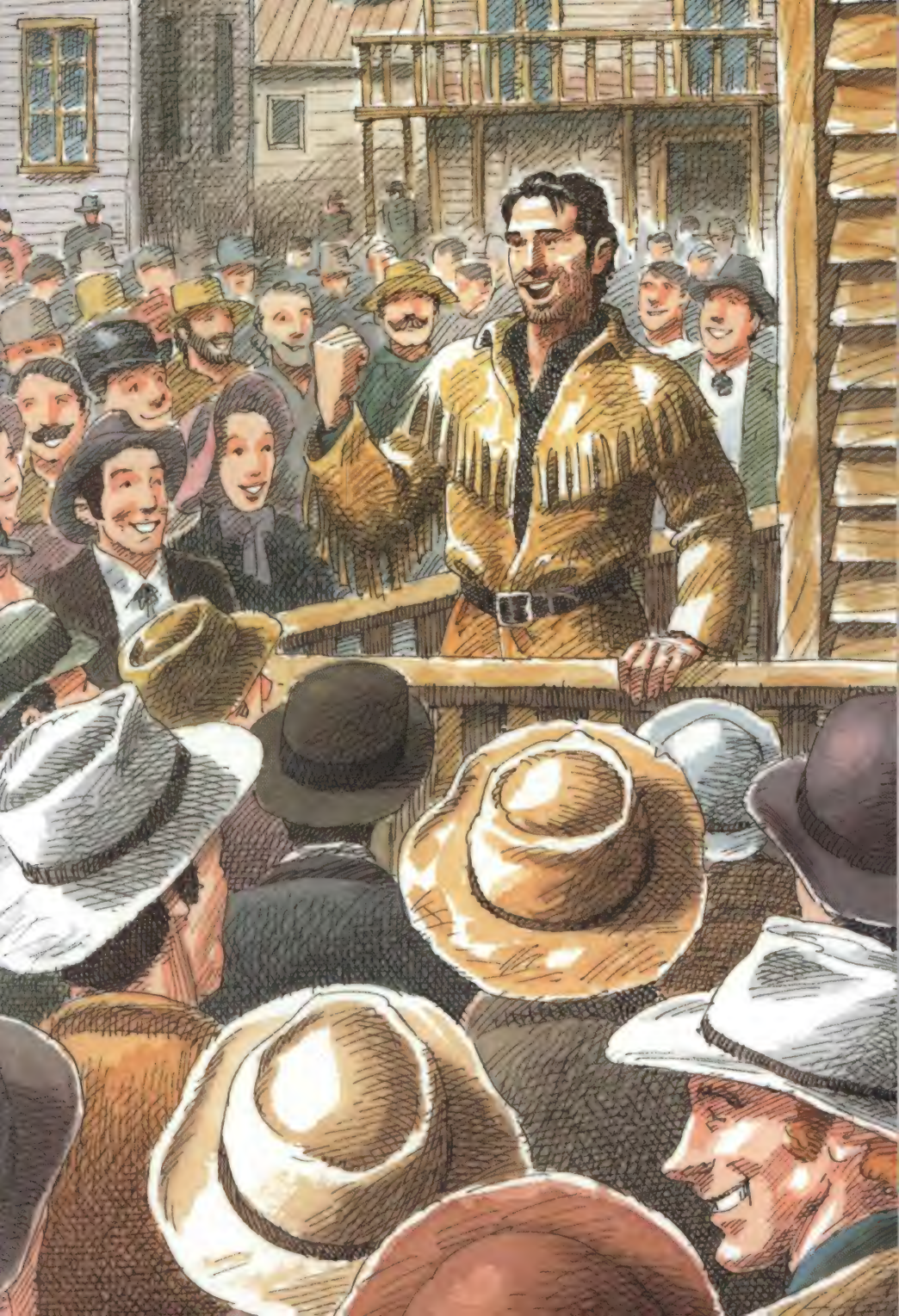
He became a representative ³ of the town government. He was

1. covered wagon :



2. mill : 磨坊。

3. representative : 代表。





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very popular. People liked listening to his stories about hunting bears and about the War of 1812. They admired his honesty and courage.

Davy was different from other politicians¹. His speeches were never boring². His message was clear. He spoke to the people in simple language. He dressed like them too. He always wore his coonskin cap and his buckskin trousers and jacket.

One day at an important meeting he didn't know what to say. So he looked at the people and said, "Today, I am like a man trying to drink water from an empty barrel³! I'll tell you a funny story and then we can go home!"

Davy soon became a representative of the government of Tennessee. Now he was in politics. He helped his people in many ways.



At first, many politicians laughed at Davy because he never wore a suit⁴. After some time, these politicians admired and respected him. Davy was an honest man. Everyone believed what he said.

His buckskin jacket had two big pockets. In his right pocket Davy had a bottle of whisky. When he met his friends, he gave them some whisky! In those days, it was common to give some whisky to friends.

1. **politicians** : 政治家。

2. **boring** : 无趣的。

3. **barrel** :



4. **suit** : 西服。

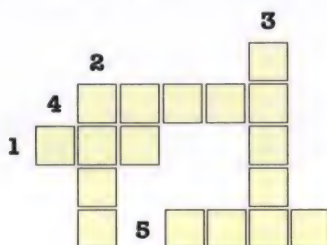
UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Circle the correct answer.

- a. Davy and his family went to *Lawrenceville* / *Lawrenceburg*, Tennessee.
- b. He and his *friends* / *family* put all of their things inside a covered *wagon* / *boat*.
- c. In Lawrenceburg, Davy became a *representative* / *number* of the town government.
- d. People liked listening to his *stories* / *songs* about hunting bears and the War of 1812.
- e. Davy's speeches were never *interesting* / *boring* and his message was *clear* / *confusing*.
- f. Many *politicians* / *hunters* laughed at Davy because he never wore a suit.
- g. When he met his friends, he gave them some *food* / *whisky*.

2 Fill in the gaps with the correct "wh" words: where, what, which, who, when and complete the crossword.

1. wanted to live in Lawrenceburg?
2. did the family put inside the covered wagon?
3. did Davy and his wife sit?
4. In pocket was the bottle of whisky?
5. did Davy give his friends some whisky?



3 Find the hidden word

Take the letters you need to make the words that match the pictures. Put the remaining letter in the box below.

1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



1. BPCA
2. NCORAOE
3. LAERTBR
4. ONEMYS
5. RYABE

What word do you get?

--	--	--	--	--

4 Match these words with their meaning.

- 1. twins ☐
- 2. shooter ☐
- 3. trapper ☐
- 4. wilderness ☐
- 5. hunter ☐
- 6. Tennessee ☐

- a. person who kills animals for food
- b. an American state
- c. person who catches wild animals to sell their furs
- d. two children born of the same mother, at the same time
- e. person who shoots with a rifle or gun
- f. land that is not cultivated, where only wild animals live





Congressman¹ Crockett

Davy often went to Nashville, the capital of Tennessee. In Nashville, he worked for the Tennessee Government. One day, while Davy was working for the Tennessee Government, a big flood² destroyed his mill. This was terrible! He was very unhappy because he lost a lot of money.

When he returned to Lawrenceburg, he started a new type of work. This time he made barrels! He sold these barrels in New Orleans, Louisiana. New Orleans was about 400 miles away.

To go to New Orleans, he travelled on the Mississippi River. He had a big boat to carry the barrels. It was difficult to travel on the Mississippi River. There were many dangers.

1. Congressman : 国会议员。

2. flood : 洪水。





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One day his boat had a bad accident ¹. It began to sink ². Davy almost drowned ³. He lost his boat and his barrels but he didn't lose his life!

In 1827 there was a big election ⁴ in Tennessee. Davy Crockett became a United States Congressman! This was a great honour for him. In the United States Congress, he represented the people of Tennessee. He travelled to Washington D. C., the capital of the United States.

Davy was very happy to be a Congressman. He wanted to help his people. There were Congressmen who wanted to take land away from the Fox Indians of Tennessee. Davy protected these Indians. He fought against dishonest ⁵ Congressmen.

“The Fox Indians cannot live without their land!” Davy shouted. “I must defend all the American people of Tennessee: the whites and the Indians!”

After months of hard work, Davy was not able to help the Fox Indians. The U. S. Congress made a law that took away land from the Indians. Davy was very angry.

He hated injustice ⁶. In 1835 he left the U. S. Congress!



1. accident : 意外。

2. sink : 下沉。

3. drowned : 淹死。

4. election : 选举。

5. dishonest : 不诚实的。

6. injustice : 非正义。

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Fill in the gaps with the correct words from the covered wagon.



- a. The capital of Tennessee is
- b. A destroyed Davy's mill.
- c. Davy made and sold them in
- d. He travelled to New Orleans on the
- e. One day, he had an and lost his
- f. In 1827 Davy became a United States
- g. In Congress he the people of Tennessee.
- h. The United States Congress made a that took away land from the

2**Match the characters with their descriptions.**

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Polly Finley | a. Davy's second wife |
| 2. John Crockett | b. U.S. Congressman |
| 3. Andrew Jackson | c. Davy Crockett's children |
| 4. John, Joseph and Judith | d. Davy's father |
| 5. Davy Crockett | e. American General |
| 6. George and Washington | f. school teacher |
| 7. Meg Mackinack | g. Irish immigrant |
| | h. Davy's first wife |
| | i. trapper |
| | j. Davy Crockett's twins |

3**Must and mustn't****Look at this example from Chapter 4:**

"I *must* defend all the American people of Tennessee: the whites and the Indians!"

We use *must* and *mustn't* to say that it is necessary to do or not to do something.

Use *must*/*mustn't* to fill in the gaps in the following sentences.

- a. Davy said "I start a new type of work."
- b. He be careful on the Mississippi River because it's dangerous.
- c. We build a big boat to carry the barrels.
- d. "I drown," said Davy when his boat began to sink!
- e. Now that Davy is a Congressman he go to Washington D.C.
- f. "The U.S. Congress take away the land from the Indians," shouted Davy.
- g. Dishonest people be Congressmen.

- 4 Davy wrote a letter to his father, John Crockett. What did he tell him? Put the verbs in the Past Simple tense (过去式) .

Dear Father,

Last year a flood (destroy) my mill. Meg and I (be) very unhappy. We (lose) a lot of money.

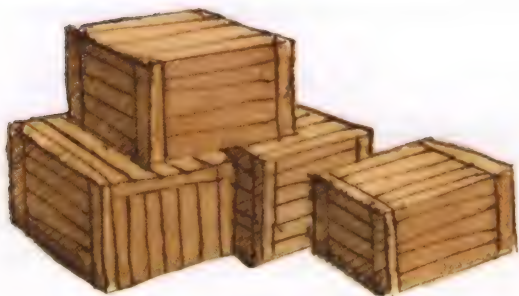
Last month I (have) a bad accident on the Mississippi River. I (lose) my boat and I almost (drown)

On November 10th, I (become) a United States Congressman. I (go) to Washington D.C. I (work) there. I (fight) to protect the Indians, but I (be) not able to help them.

The U.S. Congress (make) a law. This law (take) away land from the Fox Indians.

I (be) very angry. I (leave) Congress!

Love, Davy



Texas!

In 1835 the Crockett family left Tennessee. They put all their things in a big covered wagon and they travelled for many days. They finally arrived in Texas.

At that time, Texas belonged to ¹ Mexico. At first, the Mexican Government was happy with the American settlers. They cultivated ² the land.

Many settlers went to Texas because land was very cheap. With a little money, a settler bought a lot of land. More and more Americans went to Texas. There were about 20,000 American settlers in eastern Texas. There were only 5,000 Mexicans! The Mexican Government did not like this. There were too many Americans!

Mexico decided to close its borders ³. The American settlers were very angry.

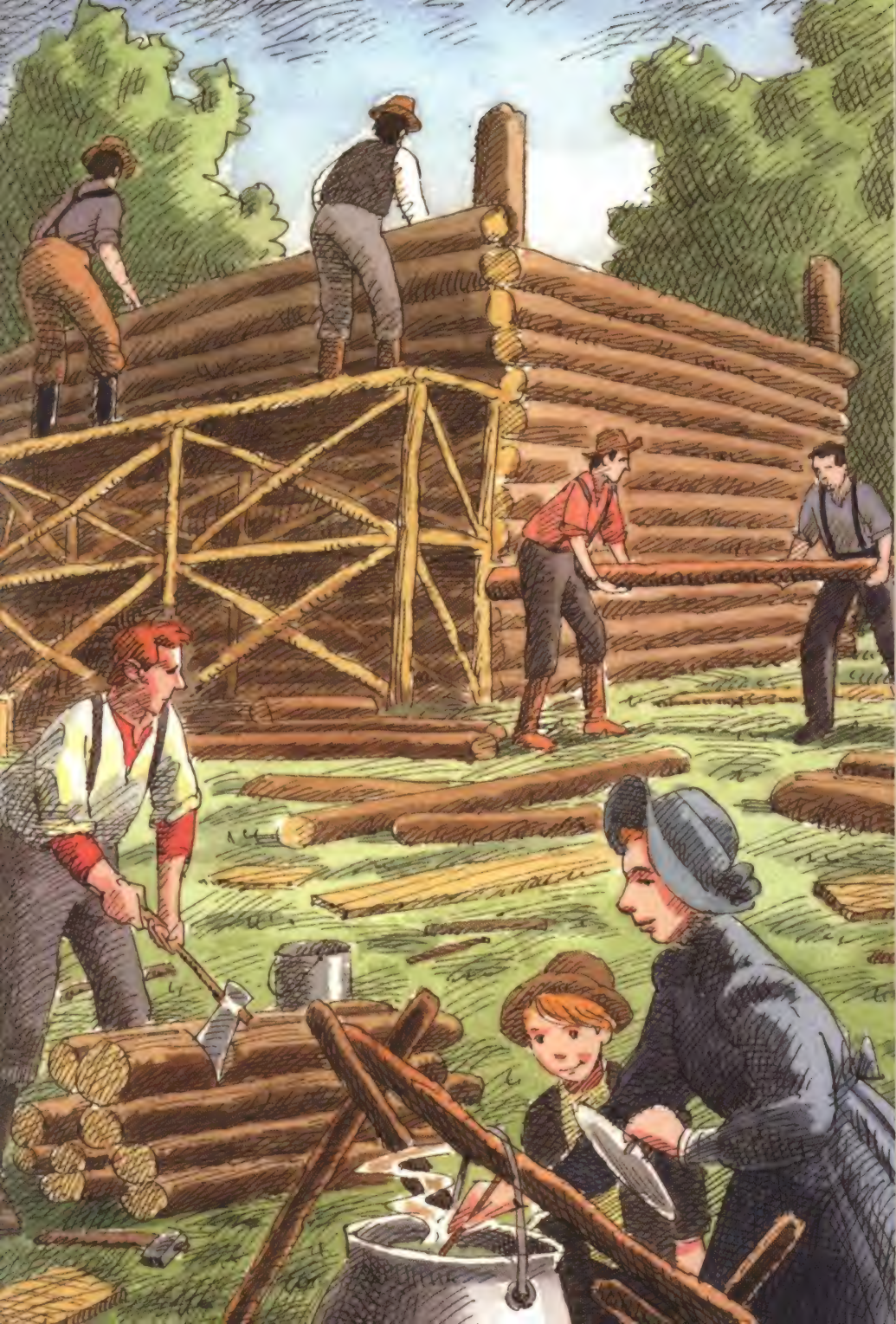
In 1834, the Mexican General Santa Anna became the dictator ⁴

1. belonged to : 属于。

2. cultivated : 耕种。

3. borders : 边界。

4. dictator : 独裁者。





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of Mexico. He was a cruel man. He sent his soldiers to the Mexican border. He did not want American settlers to enter Mexico.

By 1834, there were more than 30,000 Americans living in Texas. They wanted Texas to be an independent American state! They did not want to live under a cruel Mexican dictator.¹

Davy and his family now lived in Texas. They were happy in their new home. They wanted the independence of Texas, too.

One day Davy heard that the Mexicans wanted to attack Fort Alamo. The Alamo was a Spanish church and fort near San Antonio, in western Texas. There were Texans and American soldiers at Fort Alamo. There were also women and children at the fort. War was in the air²! Davy knew he must fight for the independence of Texas.



1. 得克萨斯州原属墨西哥，1845年被美国吞并。

2. in the air : 即将发生。

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1

Choose the correct answer.

a. In 1835 the Crockett family

- ☐ went to Washington D.C.
- ☐ left Tennessee and went to Texas.
- ☐ left Tennessee and went to San Antonio.

b. At that time Texas

- ☐ was an American state.
- ☐ was an independent territory.
- ☐ belonged to Mexico.

c. American settlers went to Texas

- ☐ because land was very cheap.
- ☐ because they liked General Santa Anna.
- ☐ because there was a war in the United States.

d. General Santa Anna was

- ☐ the Mexican king.
- ☐ the Mexican dictator.
- ☐ the American General in Texas.

e. In 1834 there were

- ☐ 30,000 Americans living in Texas.
- ☐ 5,000 Americans living in Texas.
- ☐ no Americans living in Texas.

f. Fort Alamo was

- ☐ a Mexican city.
- ☐ a Spanish church and fort.
- ☐ the capital of Texas.

ACROSS

1. Davy was born here



2.

3. Fort

4.



5. General Jackson's first name

DOWN

6. American settlers bought land here

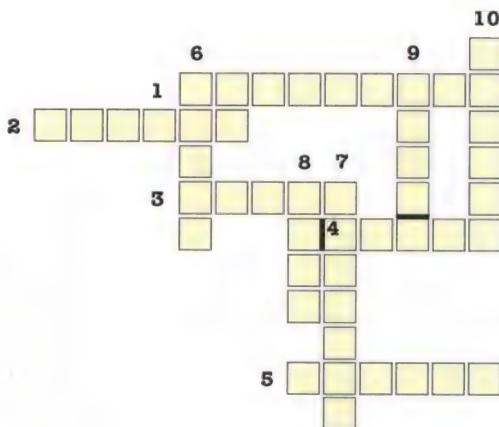
7. A city in Louisiana: New

8.



9. Past Simple of verb "to shoot"

10. to go to a place to live a long time



3 Possessive adjectives (形容词性物主代词)

Look at this sentence:

They put all *their* things in a big covered wagon.

Their is a possessive adjective.

The other possessive adjectives are: my, your, his, her, its, our.

Fill in the gaps with the correct possessive adjectives.

- a. Davy named rifle "Old Betsy".
- b. Meg was happy in new home.
- c. "Mexico is country!" said General Santa Anna.
- d. "This is new land," said Davy to the Indians.
- e. Mexico decided to close borders.
- f. "..... covered wagon is full!" said the Crockett family.

4 Listen to the first three paragraphs of Chapter 5 and fill in the missing words. If necessary listen twice.

In 1835, the Crockett family Tennessee. They all their things in a big covered wagon and they travelled for many They finally arrived in Texas. At that time, belonged to Mexico. At first, the Mexican Government was with the American settlers. They cultivated the land.

Many settlers to Texas because land was very cheap. With a little money, a settler bought a lot of More and more Americans to Texas. There were about 20,000 American settlers in eastern Texas. There only 5,000 Mexicans! The Mexican Government did not this. There were too Americans!

The American Frontier¹

In the 18th century America was a very young nation. Only small parts of the East were settled by white people.

On the American continent *there were forests, lakes, rivers, valleys, tall mountains and deserts. But there were very few people.* American Indians lived on this enormous² continent.

Every year thousands of white settlers explored³ the American frontier. These settlers moved from the East to the West in their covered wagons.

Some settled near the rivers, others in the valleys.

Most of them were farmers. Some were cowboys with their cattle. *Towns and cities grew quickly.*



1. Frontier: 边境。

2. enormous: 巨大的。

3. explored: 考察。

In our story, American settlers moved to Texas. Texas was a Mexican territory. The settlers fought for the independence of Texas, which soon became an American state!

This is how America grew. *Year after year, new states became part of America.* Today there are 50 states in the United States.

1 It's the summer of 1835. You are a journalist in Washington D.C. You work for the "Washington Pioneer". Your friend in New York must write a short article about the American frontier but he doesn't have any information! Send him a telegram and give him some information—remember, make it short!

Look at the highlighted sections of *The American Frontier* and prepare the telegram.

Western Union Telegram



Fort Alamo

D

avy asked other American settlers to go to the Alamo with him. Few men wanted to fight. But this did not stop Davy! He and 15 men decided to go to the Alamo. They were ready to fight the

Mexicans.

There were 112 men at the Alamo. Colonel William Travis of the U.S. Army was the commander. William Travis was a young colonel¹. He was only 27 years old. He was a lawyer². He entered the U.S. Army to fight for the independence of Texas. One day, Colonel Jim Bowie and 30 men arrived at the fort. Jim Bowie was a tall, strong man. He was a hunter and trapper.

"Good evening, Colonel Travis," said Colonel Bowie. "I have a message for you from General Sam Houston. Here is the letter."

Colonel Travis opened it. He read it aloud:

1. colonel : 上校。

2. lawyer : 律师。

Fort



Alamo

You must destroy the Alamo and come with my army! General Santa Anna will attack the Alamo soon.

Gen. Sam Houston

"What!" said Colonel Travis. "I don't want to destroy the Alamo. I want to defend it."

Colonel Bowie said, "We cannot defend the Alamo. We must have more men."

In February 1836, Davy Crockett and his men arrived at the fort. Colonel Travis was happy to see them. He asked Davy and his men to defend the Alamo.

"We don't have many men," said Colonel Travis. "We must ask for more soldiers. I am sending a messenger¹ to General Fannin. He can send us more soldiers."

Davy said, "My men and I want to defend the Alamo. We are hunters and trappers. Our long rifles can shoot at a great distance²."

Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie became good friends. Together they repaired the walls of the fort. They cleaned the rifles and the cannons³. They were ready for the battle.



1. messenger: 信使。

2. at a great distance: 远距离。

3. cannons:



UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false ones.

- | | T | F |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Davy asked other American settlers to go to the Alamo with him. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. All the men wanted to fight. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Colonel William Travis was the commander of the Alamo. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Colonel Jim Bowie had a message from General Sam Houston. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. The message said, "Defend the Alamo!" | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Davy and his fifteen men arrived at the Alamo in February 1836. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Davy and Colonel Travis became good friends. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2 Who said or wrote it?

Decide which of the four characters made the following statements:

- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1. "I have a message for you from General Houston." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. "Our long rifles can shoot long distances." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. "You must destroy the Alamo and come with my army." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. "I want to defend it!" | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. "We cannot defend the Alamo. We must have more men." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. "We must ask for more soldiers." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. "We are hunters and trappers." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. "I am sending a messenger to General Fannin." | <input type="checkbox"/> |
-
- a. Colonel Jim Bowie
 - b. Colonel William Travis
 - c. Davy Crockett
 - d. General Sam Houston

Negative sentences (否定句)**Look at these negative sentences:**

This *did not* stop Davy!

I *don't* want to destroy the Alamo.

Make the following sentences negative (把肯定句变为否定句) .

a. Davy asked other men to go to Texas.

.....

b. They arrived at the fort in December.

.....

c. They were ready to fight.

.....

d. He can send us more soldiers.

.....

Now make these negative sentences affirmative (把否定句变为肯定句) .

e. He did not receive the message.

.....

f. We cannot shoot well.

.....

g. They did not clean the rifles.

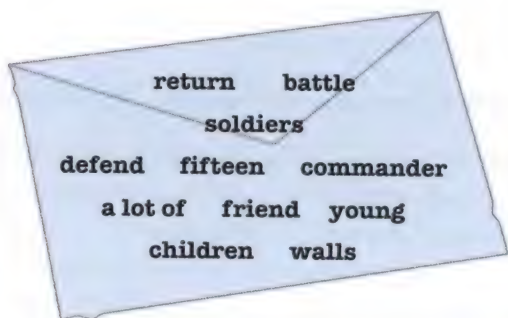
.....

h. We don't want to defend the fort.

.....

4

When Davy arrived at the Alamo he wrote a letter to his wife. What did he tell her? Use the words in the envelope to complete the sentences.



Dear Meg,

I didn't home because I decided to
..... the Alamo. I found men
who want to help me. There are
courageous here.

Colonel Travis is the He is a
..... man.

Colonel Jim Bowie is a good Yesterday
we cleaned the rifles and the cannons. We repaired the
..... of the fort.

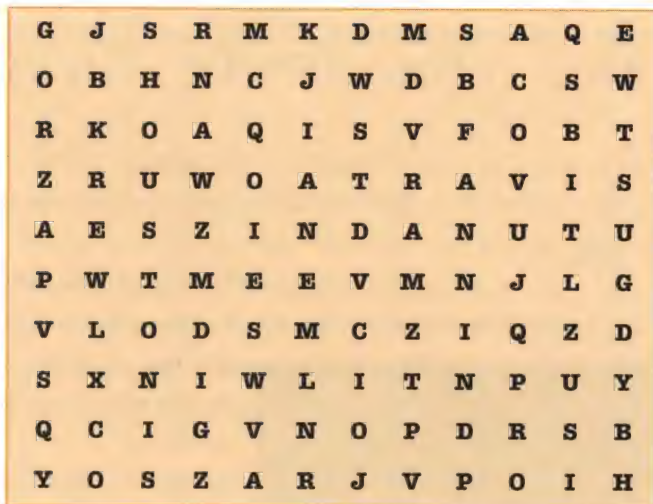
We are ready for the

Love to you and the !

Davy

5

Find the names of the two Colonels and two Generals mentioned in Chapter 6. Circle them in red.



- a. Who wrote the letter?
.....
- b. Who does the messenger go to, asking for more soldiers?
.....
- c. Who is the commander?
.....
- d. Who arrived at the fort with 30 men?
.....

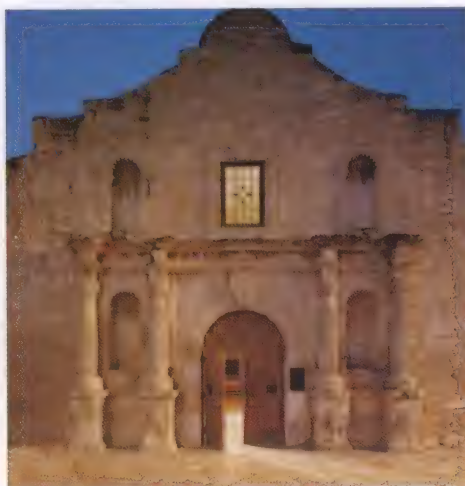
Jim Bowie and the Bowie Knife

Jim Bowie was a great American adventurer and hero. He was born in 1796 in Kentucky. When he was 6 years old, his family went to live in Louisiana.

When Jim was 18 years old, he hunted bears and alligators! He also captured wild horses. He was a tall, strong man. He loved

adventures and danger. Jim Bowie was never afraid of anything.

In 1831 Jim Bowie settled in Texas. He bought some land near San Antonio. He married the Vice-Governor's daughter, Maria. He and his family loved Texas. At the Alamo, Bowie fought for the independence of his new home, Texas.



He and his brother invented

the famous Bowie knife. It was built in a special way to protect the hand. It was an excellent knife for hunting and fighting. This knife became very popular in the United States and Britain. Every pioneer¹ and cowboy had a Bowie knife. It is still used today.



1. pioneer: 拓荒者。

1 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false ones.



- | | T | F |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Jim Bowie was an American General. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. He was born in Kentucky in 1769. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. He captured wild horses. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Bowie was a very courageous man. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Jim and his brother invented the Bowie knife. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. He and his family bought land in Tennessee. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Bowie did not fight at the Alamo. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2 How many words can you find in the word river? Circle them in red.

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ngtallaop dangers simple neer nu
cowboy with horses

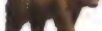

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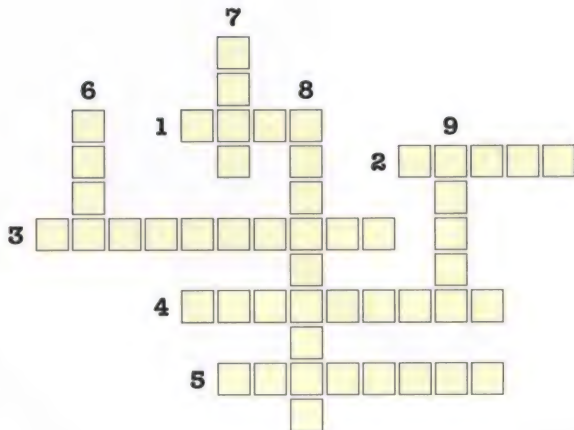
ACROSS

1. He was a, strong man.
2. Jim's wife.
3. 
4. 
5. Jim was born in 1796 in



DOWN

6. Jim was a and
an adventurer.
7. 
8. Jim's family went to live
in
9. 





The Red Flag¹



One morning a messenger arrived. "I have a message from General Fannin: He is very sorry. He cannot send any soldiers. You must leave the Alamo now. General Santa Anna is near. You are all in danger."

"We don't want to leave the Alamo," said Jim Bowie. "We want to fight for the independence of Texas. How many soldiers has General Santa Anna got?"

"He's got about 4,000 soldiers!" said the messenger.

Colonel Bowie looked at Colonel Travis. "We must speak to our men," said Colonel Travis. "Yes," said Bowie, "we must speak to them."

Colonel Travis called his 187 men. He said sadly, "General Santa Anna is coming to attack us. He has about 4,000 soldiers and lots of ammunition². We have only 187 men and little

1. flag :



2. ammunition : 弹药, 军火。

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ammunition. We have little food and water. Remember, there are women and children in the fort."

Then he marked a line on the ground with his sword¹. "Those who want to fight for the independence of Texas, cross this line! The others can leave the fort and go home."

There was a very long silence. Davy thought about his wife and his five children. Then he thought about the independence of Texas and the American settlers. He thought about a new American state: Texas!

1. sword :





The Red Flag



All the men crossed the line. These men wanted to defend the Alamo. These men wanted an independent Texas.

On February 23, 1836, General Santa Anna and his army arrived. He sent a messenger to the Alamo. He wanted the people in the Alamo to leave. The men in the Alamo answered with a cannon shot! They did not want to leave. They did not want to return to the United States. General Santa Anna was furious. He showed a red flag. The red flag meant: No Prisoners! He wanted to kill everyone in the fort!

On February 24, 1836, General Santa Anna's army attacked the Alamo. The Mexicans had an enormous cannon. It shot a cannon



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ball that damaged a wall of the fort.

Davy said, "We must destroy that cannon. It can destroy the walls of our fort."

That night, Davy and Jim Bowie left the fort. They went to the Mexican camp. Everyone in the camp was sleeping. Davy and Jim silently passed behind the two Mexican guards. They put mud ¹ and stones ² in the enormous cannon. Then they returned to the Alamo.

The next morning, the Mexican army used the cannon. It exploded ³! The Mexicans were very surprised. Their enormous cannon was destroyed.

The men in the Alamo killed many Mexican soldiers. The Mexican army attacked many times during the day. But the Texans and the American army defended the Alamo.



1. mud : 泥。

2. stones :



3. exploded : 爆炸。

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1 Fill in the gaps with the correct words from the fort.



- a. One morning a arrived.
- b. You must the Alamo now. You are all in
- c. We want to fight for the of Texas.
- d. General Santa Anna is coming to us.
- e. He has about soldiers and lots of
- f. He marked a line on the with his
- g. All the men courageously the line.
- h. The Mexicans had an enormous
- i. Davy and Jim put in the enormous cannon.
- j. The next morning, the cannon

- 2** Write the names of the characters under the pictures. Then choose the words from the coonskin cap to describe these characters. Some words can be used twice.



honest friendly
trapper commander
young courageous
dictator tall strong
lawyer Mexican cruel
hunter

Now write a sentence describing each character.

- a.** Davy was
- b.** Jim
- c.** General Santa Anna
- d.** Colonel Travis

Object Pronouns (宾格人称代词)

There are two types of pronouns: Subject Pronouns (主格人称代词)
(I you he she it we they) **and Object Pronouns (me you him her it us them).**

Look at this example from Chapter 7:

"We must speak to our men," said Colonel Travis.

"Yes," said Bowie, "we must speak to *them*."

Them refers to the men.

We use object pronouns as the direct or indirect object of a verb
(动词的直接或间接宾语) . **Substitute the words in italics with the correct object pronoun.**

- a. There were American soldiers at Fort Alamo.
A lot of Mexican soldiers wanted to destroy *Fort Alamo*.
.....
- b. There are few soldiers at General Fannin's camp.
General Fannin cannot send *the soldiers* to the fort.
.....
- c. Davy did not know Jim Bowie.
Davy met *Jim* at the Alamo.
.....
- d. General Santa Anna showed the red flag. Colonel Travis said:
"The red flag is a message for *me and the other people*," said
Colonel Travis.
.....
- e. There were some good rifles at the Alamo.
Jim gave a rifle to Davy and said, "This rifle is for *Davy*."
.....
- f. Davy's wife is hungry.
The food and water are for *Davy's wife*.
.....



The Massacre¹

The days passed. The battle continued. There was little food and ammunition. The men in the Alamo fought courageously. Nothing stopped them!

After twelve days of fighting, General Santa Anna sent all of his army to attack the fort. On March 6, at 5 a.m., the Mexican bugles² played the "Deguello." The "Deguello" was a war song. It meant "Death for everyone." The women and children at the fort were tired and afraid. The situation was desperate³.

The men at the Alamo heard the "Deguello." They understood the message. *General Santa Anna's army attacked the fort from all sides.* It was a terrible battle. Everyone was shooting. Cannon balls were flying. A lot of men were injured⁴. Some men were

1. massacre : 屠杀。

3. desperate : 极严重的。

2. bugles :



4. injured : 受伤的。



The Massacre



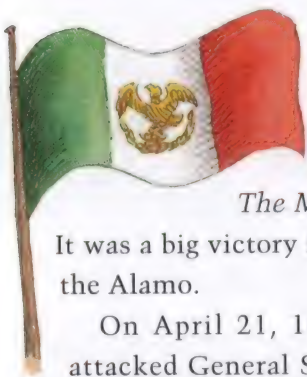
killed. Davy and the other men defended the fort. They sent back the Mexicans twice.

The third time, *the Mexicans entered the fort. They killed many people: men, women and children. It was a massacre!*

Jim Bowie was a great fighter. He was a strong man and he was never afraid. He fought with his famous Bowie knife. He killed many Mexican soldiers. At the end of the day, three Mexican soldiers killed Jim Bowie.



Davy and the other men fought until the end. They killed many enemy soldiers. It was a desperate battle. Four Mexican soldiers killed Davy with a long knife. The tall, courageous trapper fell to the ground!



Only two women and two children were alive¹ after the massacre. But General Santa Anna did not kill them. These women and children returned home.

The Mexicans burnt the bodies of the dead people.
It was a big victory for General Santa Anna. He lost 1,544 men at the Alamo.

On April 21, 1836, General Sam Houston and his army attacked General Santa Anna. *General Houston made General Santa Anna prisoner. Santa Anna then signed² a treaty³. This treaty said that Texas was independent!* Everyone remembered

1. alive : 活着的。

2. signed : 签署。

3. treaty : 条约。



Davy Crockett

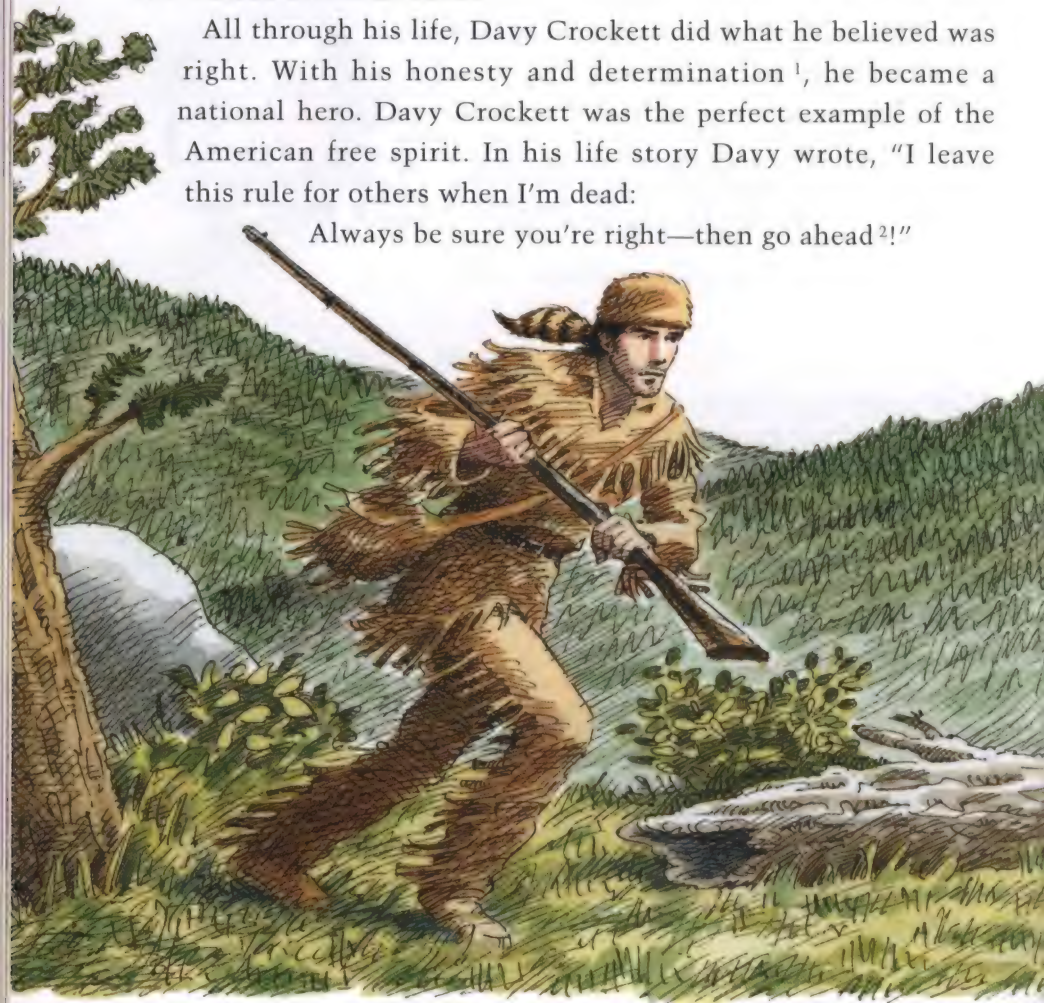


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Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, Colonel Travis and the other men. They died for the independence of Texas. *Texas became a state of the United States in 1845.*

All through his life, Davy Crockett did what he believed was right. With his honesty and determination¹, he became a national hero. Davy Crockett was the perfect example of the American free spirit. In his life story Davy wrote, "I leave this rule for others when I'm dead:

Always be sure you're right—then go ahead²!"



1. determination : 决心。

2. go ahead : 开始做。

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT

1

Choose the correct answer.

- a. The men at the Alamo fought
- ☐ for 12 days.
 - ☐ from March to April.
 - ☐ for 2 days.
- b. The Mexican "Deguello" was
- ☐ a long rifle.
 - ☐ an enormous cannon.
 - ☐ a war song.
- c. On March 6, 1836, the Mexicans entered the Alamo
- ☐ but they did not fight.
 - ☐ and there was a massacre.
 - ☐ and Texas became independent.
- d. Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, Colonel Travis and the other men
- ☐ left the Alamo and returned home.
 - ☐ fought until the end.
 - ☐ went to fight with General Sam Houston's army.
- e. On April 21, 1836, General Houston and his army
- ☐ destroyed Santa Anna's army and made him prisoner.
 - ☐ defended the Alamo.
 - ☐ declared the independence of Texas.
- f. General Santa Anna signed a treaty
- ☐ with Colonel Travis.
 - ☐ that said that Texas was independent.
 - ☐ with General Fannin.

2 Here you have the Infinitives of the verbs (动词原形) that appear in Chapter 8. Go back and underline the Past Simple (过去时) of the verbs below. Then write them next to their infinitives.

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| a. fight | h. return |
| b. send | i. lose |
| c. mean | j. make |
| d. hear | k. sign |
| e. understand | l. remember |
| f. fall | m. die |
| g. do | n. become |



3 Listen to the first two paragraphs of Chapter 8 and fill in the missing words.

The passed. The battle continued. There was little and ammunition. The in the Alamo fought courageously. Nothing stopped!

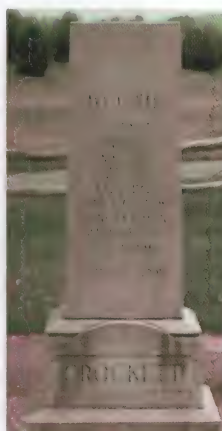
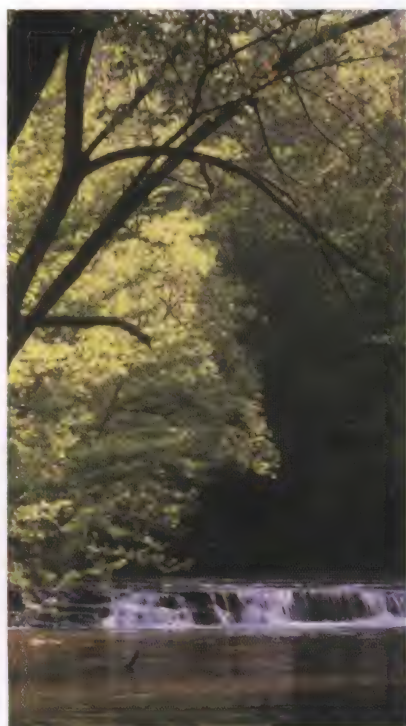
After twelve days of fighting, General Santa Anna all of his army to attack the fort. On March 6, at 5 a.m., the Mexican bugles played the "Deguello." The "Deguello" was a war It meant "Death for everyone." The women and children at the were tired and afraid. The situation was desperate.

Davy Crockett State Park

Near the city of Lawrenceburg in Tennessee, there is a big State Park called Davy Crockett State Park. It was created in 1959 in honour of America's great hero.

There is an interesting museum about Davy Crockett, his life and his times.

In this State Park there is a beautiful lake, a big park, an enormous sports area and there are camping grounds¹.



1. camping grounds : 露营地。

1 Let's complete Davy!



EXIT TEST

CONTEXT

1 Match the correct parts of the sentences:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. In the 18th century | a. moved to the West. |
| 2. Only small parts of the East | b. farmers and cowboys. |
| 3. American Indians | c. America was a very young nation. |
| 4. Thousands of settlers | d. fifty states in the U.S.A. |
| 5. Most of them were | e. were settled by white people. |
| 6. Today there are | f. lived on this enormous continent. |

COMPREHENSION

2 Circle the correct word.

Davy Crockett was born in ¹*Tennessee/Kentucky*. He was a hunter and ²*farmer/trapper*. He was a ³*tall/short* man and wore a coonskin ⁴*cap/jacket*. He always carried his long ⁵*pistol/rifle* called 'Old Betsy.' He fought with General Andrew ⁶*Travis/Jackson* in the War of 1812 against the ⁷*Spanish/British*. Everyone liked Davy because he was friendly and ⁸*rich/honest*. He became a *U.S.* ⁹*Congressman/Colonel* and travelled to Washington D.C. The U.S. Congress made a law that took ¹⁰*money/land* away from the Indians. Davy was very ¹¹*happy/angry* and he left the U.S. Congress. In 1835 ¹²*Davy/the Crockett family* went to Texas. At that time Texas belonged to ¹³*Britain/Mexico*. Davy and other men wanted to fight for the the independence of ¹⁴*America/Texas*. Davy, Jim Bowie, Colonel Travis and others decided to ¹⁵*destroy/defend* the Alamo. They fought courageously ¹⁶*against/with* the Mexican Army. After 12 days of ¹⁷*fighting/waiting* General Santa Anna's army attacked the Alamo. Davy, Jim Bowie, Colonel Travis and the other man were ¹⁸*injured/killed*. In 1845 ¹⁹*Texas/Tennessee* became an American state. Davy's courage, honesty and determination made him a national hero.

GRAMMAR

3 Make the following sentences negative.

- a. Davy hunted bears in the winter.
.....
- b. The politicians laughed at Davy.
.....
- c. You are ready to go to Louisiana.
.....
- d. The general sent more soldiers to the fort.
.....
- e. He was a good scout.
.....

Now make these sentences affirmative.

- f. They did not attack the fort.
- g. Jim did not clean the rifles.
- h. You cannot shoot well.
- i. She was not ready to go.
- j. We didn't see the bear in the forest.

4 Substitute the words in *italics* with the correct object pronoun: *me, you, him, her, it, us, them*.

1. Davy cannot see *the soldiers*.
.....
2. The letter is for *me and Jim*.
.....
3. The food is for Davy's wife.
.....
4. They want to defend *the Alamo*.
.....
5. Colonel Travis did not know *General Santa Anna*.
.....
6. Davy gave some flowers to Meg and said, "These flowers are for Meg."
.....

5 What is your favourite part of the story?

6 Write a few sentences about Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie.

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KEY TO THE EXERCISES AND EXIT TEST

KEY TO THE EXERCISES

BEFORE READING

Page 9 Exercise 2-5

Open answers

Page 10 Exercise 6

- 50
- Abraham Lincoln, Michael Jackson
- hamburgers
- Los Angeles, San Francisco
- Mississippi
- basketball

CHAPTER 1

Page 14 Exercise 1

- born in Greene County, Tennessee
- he went to work as a cattle herder
- his family was poor
- in Tennessee
- animals for their fur
- hunt bears

Page 15 Exercise 2

- mountains
 - cattle
 - family
 - rifle
- cattle
 - mountains
 - family
 - rifle

Page 15 Exercise 3

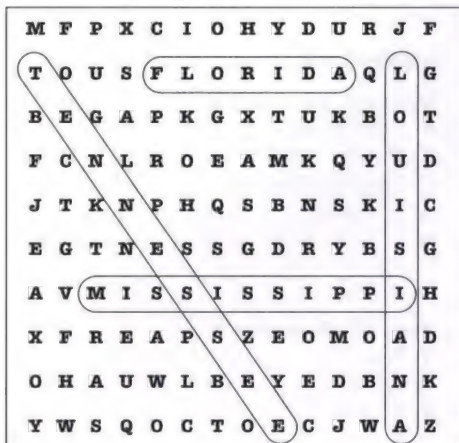
on, in, at, On, at, At, at, at, in, In, On

CHAPTER 2

Page 18 Exercise 1

- T
- F - Davy's wife, Polly was a school teacher.
- T
- F - The war between the United States and Britain began in 1812.
- T
- F - The Americans won the War of 1812.
- T

Page 18 Exercise 2





Page 19 Exercise 3

- near
- between
- with, against
- across
- for
- After

Page 20 Exercise 4

a6 - b3 - c4 - d5 - e2 - f1.

HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS

Page 23 Exercise 1

wilderness, difficult, courageous,
independent, free spirit, mountains,
cave, hut, animals, furs, trading
post, money

CHAPTER 3

Page 27 Exercise 1

- Lawrenceburg
- family, wagon
- representative
- stories
- boring, clear
- politicians
- whisky

Page 27 Exercise 2

- Who
- What
- Where

4. Which

5. When

Page 28 Exercise 3

- cap
- raccoon
- barrel
- money
- bear

What word do you get? BETSY

Page 29 Exercise 4

1d - 2e - 3c - 4f - 5a - 6b

CHAPTER 4

Page 33 Exercise 1

- Nashville
- flood
- barrels, New Orleans
- Mississippi River
- accident, boat
- Congressman
- defended
- law, Indians

Page 34 Exercise 2

1f, h - 2d, g - 3e - 4c - 5b, i - 6 j - 7a.

Page 34 Exercise 3

- must
- must
- must
- mustn't
- must
- mustn't
- mustn't

Page 35 Exercise 4

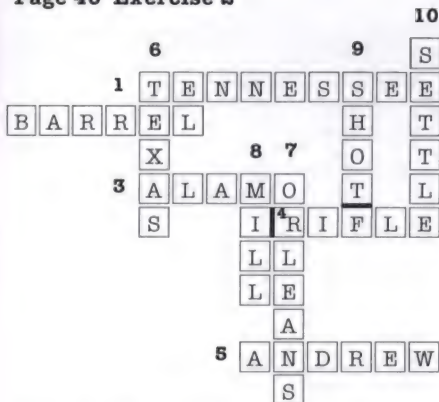
destroyed, were, lost, had, lost,
drowned, became, went, worked,
fought, was, made, took, was, left

CHAPTER 5

Page 39 Exercise 1

- left Tennessee and went to Texas
- belonged to Mexico
- because land was very cheap
- the Mexican dictator
- 30,000 Americans living in Texas
- a Spanish church and fort

Page 40 Exercise 2



Page 41 Exercise 3

- a. his; b. her; c. our; d. your; e. its;
f. Our

Page 41 Exercise 4

left, put, days, Texas, happy, went,
land, went, were, like, many

CHAPTER 6

Page 46 Exercise 1

- a. T
b. F - Few men wanted to fight.
c. T
d. T
e. F - The message said, "Destroy
the Alamo!"
f. T
g. F - Davy and Jim Bowie became
good friends.

Page 46 Exercise 2

1a - 2c - 3d - 4b - 5a - 6b - 7c - 8b.

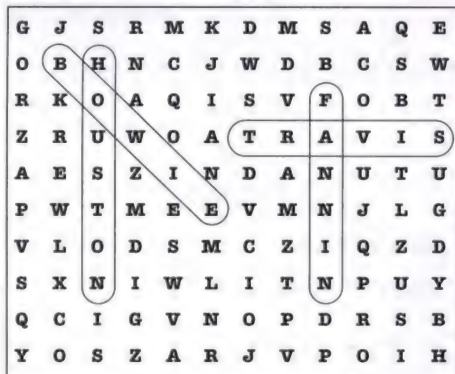
Page 47 Exercise 3

- a. Davy didn't ask other men to go
to Texas.
b. They didn't arrive at the fort in
December.
c. They weren't ready to fight.
d. He can't send us more soldiers.
e. He received the message.
f. We can shoot well.
g. They cleaned the rifles.
h. We want to defend the fort

Page 48 Exercise 4

return, defend, fifteen, a lot of,
soldiers, commander, young, friend,
walls, battle, children

Page 49 Exercise 5



- a. General Sam Houston
b. Colonel Travis
c. Colonel Travis
d. Colonel Jim Bowie

JIM BOWIE AND THE BOWIE KNIFE

Page 51 Exercise 1

- a. F - Jim Bowie was an American
adventurer and hero
b. F - He was born in Kentucky in
1796
c. T
d. T
e. T
f. F - He and his family bought land
near San Antonio
g. F - Bowie fought at the Alamo.

Page 51 Exercise 2

knife, adventure, hero, alligators,
strong, tall, dangers, if, pioneer,
cowboy, with, horses

Page 52 Exercise 3



CHAPTER 7

Page 57 Exercise 1

- messenger
- leave, danger
- independence
- attack
- 4,000, ammunition
- ground, sword
- crossed
- cannon
- mud and stones
- exploded

Page 58 Exercise 2

- Davy Crockett: honest, friendly, trapper, young, courageous, tall, strong
- Jim Bowie: trapper, hunter, young, courageous, tall, strong
- General Santa Anna: dictator, cruel, Mexican
- Colonel Travis: commander, lawyer, young, courageous

Page 59 Exercise 3

- it
- them
- him
- us
- you
- her

CHAPTER 8

Page 63 Exercise 1

- for 12 days
- a war song

- and there was a massacre
- fought until the end
- destroyed Santa Anna's army and made him prisoner
- that said that Texas was independent

Page 64 Exercise 2

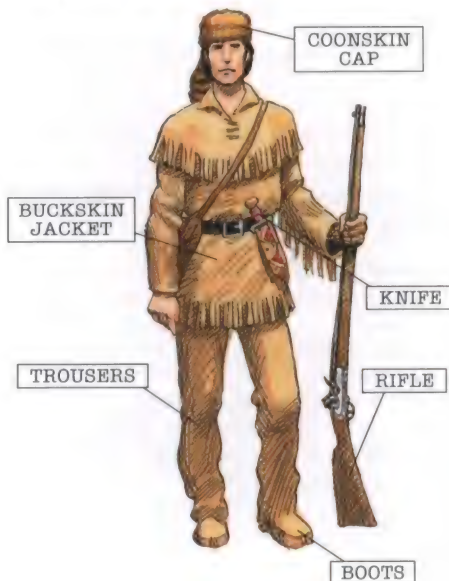
- fought
- sent
- meant
- heard
- understood
- fell
- did
- returned
- lost
- made
- signed
- remembered
- died
- became

Page 64 Exercise 3

days, food, men, them, sent, song, fort

DAVY CROCKETT STATE PARK

Page 66 Exercise 1



KEY TO EXIT TEST

1. 1. c 2. e 3. f 4. a 5. b 6. d
2. 1. Tennessee 2. trapper 3. tall 4. cap 5. rifle 6. Jackson
7. British 8. honest 9. U.S. Congressman 10. land 11. angry
12. the Crockett family 13. Mexico 14. Texas 15. defend
16. against 17. fighting 18. killed 19. Texas
3. a. Davy didn't hunt bears in the winter.
b. The politicians didn't laugh at Davy.
c. You aren't ready to go to Louisiana.
d. The general didn't send more soldiers to the fort.
e. He wasn't a good scout.
f. They attacked the fort.
g. Jim cleaned the rifles.
h. You can shoot well.
i. She was ready to go.
j. We saw the bear in the forest.
4. 1. them 2. us 3. her 4. it 5. him 6. you
5. Open answer.
6. Open answer.



notes



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